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SITUATION AS OF 1700 EDT, 6/6/89

EVACUATION: THE EMBASSY HAS BEGUN CALLING AMERICANS IN BEIJING TO RECOMMEND DEPARTURE AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY AND IS ADVISING AMERICANS IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY TO CONSIDER LEAVING. ROADS TO THE AIRPORT ARE OPEN. A TOTAL OF 36 AMERICAN STUDENTS HAVE BEEN PICKED UP BY EMBASSY CONVOYS. AUSTRALIA AND CANADA ARE REDUCING THEIR DIPLOMATIC STAFF TO A MINIMUM. (REF/EMBASSY TELCON)

ARMY UNITS IN BEIJING REMAIN POSED AT STRATEGIC LOCATIONS. WE ARE RECEIVING SPORADIC REPORTS OF INTERFACTIONAL FIGHTING WHICH WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO CONFIRM. THE EMBASSY HAS NO INFORMATION TO SUBSTANTIATE A FLURRY OF RUMORS OF TROOP MOVEMENTS OR INHIMENNT CLASHES AMONG MILITARY UNITS BUT VIEWS THE SITUATION AS RIBLY VOLATILE. (TASK FORCE/EMBASSY TELCON, BEIJING 135573)

SHANGHAI STILL BOTTLENECKED: TENSIONS MOUNTED ON JUNE 6, THE SECOND DAY OF A NEAR TOTAL TRANSPORTATION BLOCKADE. MOST OF THE AMERICAN BUSINESS COMMUNITY HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO LEAVE. CANADIANS ARE SCHEDULED TO DEPART JUNE 7 ON A CHARTERED FLIGHT. THE AIRPORT IS OPEN BUT ACCESS HAS BEEN OBSTRUCTED BY ROADBLOCKS. (SHANGHAI 32451)

CHENGDU, GUANGZHOU AND SHENYANG: THE SITUATION IN CHENGDU REMAINS TENSE. THE CONSULATE IN CHENGDU IS ADVISING BUSINESSMEN TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY AND IS MAKING RESERVATIONS FOR EVACUATION OF DEPENDENTS TO GUANGZHOU.

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